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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information of which they are aware, which they believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

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This application is being filed on the same day as the following U.S. Patent Applications, each having the same assignee (International Business Machines Corporation):

"System and Method for Processor Thread Acting as a System Service Processor," by Aguilar, Nutter, and Stafford (Docket No. AUS920030700US1);

"System and Method for Processor Thread for Software Debugging," by Aguilar, Day, Manning, and Nutter (Docket No. AUS920030698US1);

"System and Method for Processor Dedicated Code Handling in a Multi-Processor Environment," by Aguilar, Nutter, and Stafford (Docket No. AUS920030791US1);

"System and Method for Managing a Plurality of Processors as Devices," by Aguilar, Day, Nutter, and Stafford (Docket No. AUS920030707US1);

"System and Method for Asymmetric Heterogeneous Multi-Threaded Operating System," by Aguilar, Day, Nutter, and Stafford (Docket No. AUS920030699US1);

"System and Method for Grouping Processors," by Aguilar, Day, Nutter, and Xenidis (Docket No. AUS920030706US1);

"System and Method for Virtual Devices Using a Plurality of Processors," by Aguilar, Day, Nutter, and Xenidis (Docket No. AUS920030705US1);

"System and Method for Encrypting Data Using a Plurality of Processors," by Aguilar, Craft, Day, Hofstee, and Nutter (Docket No. AUS920030704US1);

"System and Method for Manipulating Data with a Plurality of Processors," by Day, Nutter, and To (Docket No. AUS920030718US1);

"System and Method for Solving a Large System of Dense Linear Equations," by Nutter and To (Docket No. AUS920030703US1);

"System and Method for Compiling Source Code for Multi-Processor Environments," by Brokenshire, Minor, Nutter, and To (Docket No. AUS920030701US1);

"System and Method for Balancing Computational Load Across a Plurality of Processors," by Minor, Nutter, and To (Docket No. AUS920030790US1);

"System and Method for Dynamically Partitioning Processing Across Plurality of Heterogeneous Processors," by Brokenshire, Minor, and Nutter (Docket No. AUS920030702US1); and

"System and Method for Task Queue Management of Virtual Devices Using a Plurality of Processors," by Aguilar, Day, Minor, Nutter, and Xenidis (Docket No. AUS920030844US1).

While these co-pending applications may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it has not been ascertained that the aforementioned applications are "related" to the present application.

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In Place of FORM PTO-1449 (Modified) Serial No. Applicant: Aguilar, et. al. LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR Filing Date: APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Group: Atty. Docket No. AUS920030717US1 **STATEMENT U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** Document Examiner Filing Date if Initial Number Subclass Date Name Class **Appropriate** 2003/0055984 Jul. 18, 2002 Shimakawa et al. 709 AA 316 Oct. 12, 2001 AB Oct. 24, 2002 Suzuoki et al. 2002/0156993 712 30 Mar 22, 2001 AC Sep 26, 2002 Suzuoki et al. 711 Mar 22, 2001 2002/0138707 163 AD 2002/0138701 Sep 26, 2002 Suzuoki et al. 711 154 Mar 22, 2001 ΑE 2002/0138637 Sep 26, 2002 Suzuoki et al. 709 230 Mar 22, 2001 AF 2002/0135582 Sep 26, 2002 Suzuoki et al. 345 502 Mar 22, 2001 AG 2002/0095523 Jul. 18, 2002 Shimakawa et al. 709 316 Oct. 12, 2001 AΗ 2002/0060690 May 23, 2002 Tanaka et al. 345 619 Mar. 1, 2001 ΑI Yutaka et al. 2002/0046229 Apr. 18, 2002 709 102 Mar. 2, 2001 AJ Oka et al. 6,559,854 May 6, 2003 345 619 Mar. 1, 2001 ΑK Suzuoki 2001/0002130 May 31, 2001 345 420 Dec 15, 2000 ALFeb. 25, 2003 Suzuoki et al. 6,526,491 711 164 Mar 22, 2001 **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS** Examiner Document Translation Initial Number Country Date Class Subclass Yes No AM AN ΑO AP Examiner OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.) Initial AQ AR AS ΑT ΑU Examiner: Date Considered: EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to

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